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TYLDESLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
AND
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
FOR THE YEAR 1967

TYLDESLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Public Health Department,
Town Hall,
TYLDESLEY.

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.

I have the honour to present for your information and consideration the Annual Report on the health and sanitary circumstances of the Urban District of Tyldesley for the year 1967.

STATISTICS

According to the Registrar General's mid year estimate the population of the district has again shown an increase, being 19,660 as against 19,010 the previous year and 18,210 in 1965.

Much private development was obviously attracting people to the district, and not unnaturally more interest was being aroused in the need for social and recreational facilities in more attractive surroundings. An increase in civic consciousness can do nothing but good.

During the year under review 427 live births occurred, a decrease of 5 on the previous year. 4 babies were still born. Relating these figures to the population, the adjusted Live Birth Rate is 23.9 a decrease of 1.1 on the previous year, and the Still Birth Rate a decrease of 6.9 on the year 1966 to 9.0

12 babies died during their first year of life giving an Infant Mortality Rate for the year of 28.0. Of these, 9 occurred within the first week and 3 under six months.

The total number of deaths (from all causes) is 4 less than in the previous year, being 215 and 3 more than in 1965 when there were 212 deaths. The main causes of death follow a similar pattern to previous years. 7 deaths from cancer of the lung, underlines the threat to health to which the cigarette smoking male exposes himself. Relating the number of deaths to the population as a whole the Death Rate for the year is 13.2 greater by 0.4 than in 1966.

HEALTH SERVICES

The personal health services have been provided in the district by the Lancashire County Council, through its Divisional Health Administration Scheme, as the Local Health Authority. The essential information in relation to these services is given in Section B of this report. Should you require further details I would refer you to my Annual Report as Divisional Medical Officer.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

The sanitary circumstances of the district have been kept under close supervision. Special attention has been paid to food and water supplies, housing and sanitation. As anticipated last year the Council embarked on its first smoke control area in implementation of the Clean Air Act, 1956. The Order becomes operative in October 1968.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

In conclusion I am pleased to record my sincere appreciation of your continued support and encouragement throughout the year, and, at the same time to thank the chief officials, and my own public health staff in particular for their help and advice on many matters.

Yours faithfully,

E. TAYLOR.

Medical Officer of Health.

Area in Acres	5,174
Registrar General's estimate of population (mid 1967)	19,660
Population census 1931	19,430
Population preliminary census 1961	16,810
Number of inhabited houses (census 1931)	4,393
Number of inhabited houses (census 1961)	5,751
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1967) according to Rate Book	6,817
Rateable Value	£520,114
Sum represented by a penny rate	£ 1,980

VITAL STATISTICS

Calculated on a population of 19,660

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>BIRTHS</u>			
Live Births - Legitimate	222	190	412
Illegitimate	9	6	15
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	231	196	427
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Still Births - Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate	-	2	2
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	1	3	4
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Total registered Births for 1967 - 427
Total registered Births for 1966 - 432

LIVE BIRTH RATE (Per 1,000 of population)

Adjusted Rate for year 1967.	23.9
Adjusted Rate for year 1966.	25.0
For 5 year average 1962 - 1966	20.5
Decrease in 1967 on 1966	1.1
Decrease in 1967 on 5 year average.	3.4
Live Birth Rate for England and Wales for 1967	17.2

STILL BIRTH RATE (Per 1,000 of population)

For Year 1967.	9.0
For Year 1966.	15.9
Still Birth Rate for England and Wales for 1967	14.8

DEATHS

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
INFANTILE - Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate	-	2	2
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	1	3	4
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MATERNAL

NIL

OTHER CAUSES

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cancer	23	10	33
Tuberculosis	-	-	-
Other Causes	93	89	182
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Total registered deaths for 1967:	116	99	215
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Total registered deaths for 1966	114	105	219

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE (Per 1,000 Live Births)

For Year 1967.	28.0
For Year 1966.	18.5
For 5 year average 1962 - 1966	18.6
Increase in 1967 on 1966	9.5
Increase in 1967 on 5 year average.	9.4
Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1967	18.3

TOTAL MATERNAL MORTALITY (Live and Still Births)

For Year 1967.	Nil
For Year 1966.	Nil
For 5 year average 1962 - 1966	0.60
Decrease in 1967 on 1966	Nil
Decrease in 1967 on 5 year average.	0.60
Maternal Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1967	0.20

TUBERCULOSIS DEATH RATE

For Year 1967.	Nil
For Year 1966.	0.11
For 5 year average 1962 - 1966	0.46
Decrease in 1967 on 1966	0.11
Decrease in 1967 on 5 year average.	0.46
Tuberculosis Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1967	0.042

DEATH RATE

For Year 1967.	13.2
For Year 1966.	12.8
For 5 year average 1962 - 1966	13.6
Decrease in 1967 on 1966	0.4
Decrease in 1967 on 5 year average.	0.4
Death Rate for England and Wales for 1967.	11.2

INFANTILE MORTALITY

12 deaths were reported compared with 8 during 1966 and 9 in 1965. This gives an Infantile Mortality Rate for the year 1967 of 28.0 compared with 18.5 in 1966.

The cases and ages were as follows:-

<u>CAUSE OF DEATH</u>	<u>AGE IN MONTHS</u>			
	<u>0-1</u>	<u>1-3</u>	<u>3-6</u>	<u>6-12</u>
Respiratory Failure	1	-	-	-
Prematurity	5	-	-	-
Asphyxia	-	1	-	-
Enteritis	-	1	-	-
Pneumonia	1	-	-	-
Other Defined and Ill Defined Diseases	2	1	-	-
	9	1	2	-

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE

Infantile Mortality Rate per 1,000 legitimate births 28.0.

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

9 deaths occurred in the neo-natal period (under 4 weeks) giving a death rate per 1,000 live births of 21.0

EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

9 deaths occurred in the early neo-natal period (under 1 week) giving a death rate per 1,000 live births of 21.0

PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE

With 4 still births and 9 deaths under 1 week the perinatal mortality rate per 1,000 total live and still births was 30.0

CAUSE OF DEATH DURING 1967

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Tuberculosis - Respiratory	-	-	-
2. Tuberculosis - Other Forms	-	-	-
3. Syphillitic Disease	-	-	-
4. Diphtheria	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
8. Measles	-	-	-
9. Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	-	-
10. Cancer of Stomach	5	3	8
11. Cancer of Lung, Bronchus	7	-	7
12. Cancer of Breast	-	3	3
13. Cancer of Uterus	-	-	-
14. Cancer of Other Sites	10	4	14
15. Leukaemia	1	-	1
16. Diabetes	1	2	3
17. Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	13	22	35
18. Coronary Disease, Angina	25	17	42
19. Hypertension with Heart Disease	1	6	7
20. Other Heart Disease	5	16	21
21. Other Circulatory Disease	12	5	17
22. Influenza	1	2	3
23. Pneumonia	3	6	9
24. Bronchitis	2	2	4
25. Other Disease of Respiratory System	7	1	8
26. Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	-	-	-
27. Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	-	-	-
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	1	2
29. Hyperplasia of Prostate	-	-	-
30. Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	-	-	-
31. Congenital Malformation	-	2	2
32. Other Defined and Ill Defined Diseases	10	2	12
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents	5	2	7
34. All Other Accidents	5	2	7
35. Suicide	2	1	3
36. Homicide and Operations of War	-	-	-
	116	99	215

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1967 WITH

ANALYSIS OF CASES UNDER AGES GROUPS

D I S E A S E S	Total Cases noti- fied	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total deaths	A G E I N C I D E N C E								
				Under one Year	1 to 3	3 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 25	25 to 45	45 to 65	65 and over
Measles	63	-	-	5	38	9	10	-	1	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	17	-	-	2	6	7	2	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	6	-	-	-	4	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
Erysipelas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
	87	-	-	7	48	17	12	-	2	-	1	-

T U B E R C U L O S I S

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1967

NEW CASES

DEATHS

	<u>Pulmonary : Non-Pulmonary</u>						<u>Pulmonary : Non-Pulmonary</u>					
	M	:	F	M	:	F	M	:	F	M	:	F
1966	3		3	-		-	2		-	-		-
1967	3		4	-		-	-		-	-		-

SECTION BGENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICESAmbulance Service

Orchard Lane, Atherton Tel. No. Swinton 4343

Care of Children - Children's Act, 1948

Children's Committee - Lancashire County Council Area No. 11

Area Children's Officer:-

Mr. G. Littlemore,

William Deacon's Bank Chambers,

Market Street,

LEIGH.

Tel. No. Leigh 74121

Clinics

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1) Ante-Natal | Elliott Street Clinic Monday p.m. |
| 2) Post-Natal | Elliott Street Clinic Monday p.m. |
| 3) Immunisation | At County Clinics as required. |
| 4) Maternity & Child Welfare | (1) Astley Centre Thursday p.m.
(2) George Street Centre Tyldesley,
Tuesday p.m. |
| 5) Ophthalmic
(by appointment) | Elliott Street Clinic Friday a.m. |
| 6) Orthopaedic
(by appointment) | Elliott Street Clinic 2nd Friday of
each month. |
| 7) School Health & Minor
Ailments | Elliott Street Clinic Monday a.m. |
| 8) Physiotherapy
(by appointment) | Elliott Street Clinic Thursday a.m. |
| 9) Dental | Elliott Street Clinic Monday p.m.
Tuesday all day, Wednesday a.m.
Thursday p.m. Friday a.m. |
| 10) Tuberculosis | The Infirmary, Leigh. |

11) Venereal Disease

(1) Civic Centre, Bolton.MALES:-

Mon. to Fri. 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Mon. Wed. 4.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
and Fri.FEMALES:-Tues. Thurs. 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
and Sat.Mon. Wed. 4.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
and Fri.(2) Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan.MALES:-

Fri. 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

FEMALES:-

Wed. 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

(3) The Infirmary, Leigh.MALES AND FEMALES:-

Mon. 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

Convalescence

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council through the Divisional Medical Officer.

Convalescent Treatment

Under arrangements made by the Regional Hospital Board.

Health Visiting Service

Two Health Visitors/School Nurses employed in the District by the Lancashire County Council.

Home Help Service

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council.
Applications to Divisional Health Offices, Leigh Road, Leigh.

Home Nursing Service

Male and Female District Nurses provided by the Lancashire County Council.

Hospitals

1) General

Leigh Infirmary, Bolton Infirmary,
Atherleigh Hospital, Astley Hospital.

2) Infectious Diseases

Whelley Hospital, Hulton Lane Hospital,
Monsall Hospital Manchester.

3) Maternity

Billinge Hospital, Davyhulme Hospital,
St. Mary's Hospital, Bolton and District
General Hospital.

Maternity Homes

Firs Maternity Home, Leigh.

Laboratory Facilities

Regional Hospital Laboratories at Bolton and Wigan Infirmaries, and
the Public Health Laboratory at Withington Hospital.

Midwifery Service

Two full time domiciliary midwives provided by the Lancashire County
Council.

Moral Welfare

Local Officer:-

Mrs. J. Johnson,

186 Chapel Street,

Leigh.

Tel. No. Leigh 71061

(Council for Moral Welfare Work)

Nursing Homes

None in the District.

Unmarried Mothers and Illegitimate Children

Provision for their care is made by the Lancashire County Council.

Welfare Service

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council residential
accommodation is available at Atherleigh Grange and Hourigan House, Leigh,
Winifred Kettle House, Westhoughton and Park House, Tyldesley.

X Ray Facilities

At the General Hospitals of the Regional Board, Leigh, Bolton and
Wigan. Facilities for special chest cases at the Chest Clinic, Leigh
Infirmary.

SECTION CPREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS
AND OTHER DISEASESDIPHTHERIA

As last year no case or carrier was notified. Continuation of immunisation is still essential if the disease is to be controlled.

DYSENTERY

8 notifications were received during the year, 6 were proved positive but none were admitted to hospital. Control depends upon the understanding and co-operation of all who handle food and drink.

ERYSIPELAS

1 case was notified.

FOOD POISONING

No cases were notified during the year. As in the case of Dysentery control of Food Poisoning is dependent upon the understanding and co-operation of all who handle food and drink.

MALARIA

No notifications for the year.

MEASLES

63 cases were notified as against 246 in the previous year.

MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTION

No cases notified during the year.

PARATYPHOID AND TYPHOID FEVER

No cases notified for the year.

PNEUMONIA

No cases notified.

POLIOMYELITIS

It is pleasing to report that there has been another year with no cases of this disease.

PUERPERAL PYREXIA

No cases notified during the year.

SCARLET FEVER

No cases were notified as against 1 the previous year.

SMALLPOX

No notified cases or contacts within the district for the year under review.

TUBERCULOSIS

7 new cases of pulmonary and none of non-pulmonary tuberculosis were reported during the year, as compared with 6 and none respectively the previous year. There were no deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis during the year.

WHOOPING COUGH

This year there were 17 cases as against 8 in 1966 and there were no deaths.

SECTION DSANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

The major portion of the district is urban in character concentrated chiefly in the north and centre, surrounded by an area of agricultural land.

The main industries are coal mining, cotton spinning and engineering, with a small number in agriculture.

None of the above industries appears to have given rise to any significant increase in injuries or disabilities of any occupational character throughout the year.

WATER SUPPLY

The Manchester Corporation Waterworks Committee are responsible for the supply and distribution of the water supply in the district.

6,807 dwelling houses, with a population of 19,610 persons are supplied with water from public mains. 10 houses with a total of 50 occupants draw supplies from private wells or springs. These are situated in isolated parts of the district and the dwellings are in connection with small holdings or agricultural land.

102 new houses have been connected to the town's water mains.

28 bacteriological examinations of town's water were made during the year, 26 satisfactory and 2 unsatisfactory. Investigations were made by the water authority regarding the unsatisfactory samples and follow up samples proved to be satisfactory.

Water mains have been laid to the extent of 5,335 lineal yards to new dwellings.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Sewage is delivered to the East Lancashire Road pumping station by four sewers, two of 38" diameter and two of 30" and 24" diameter respectively, converging from different areas of the district. The sewage pumping station delivers flows of 6 times dry weather flow to the disposal works and flows in excess of this enter the storm water pumping station and are discharged direct to Astley Brook.

Treatment is by means of sedimentation tanks and percolating filters followed by final settlement in circular humus tanks, fitted with electrically operated sludge removal gear. A third pumping station delivers the effluent to Black Moss Brook.

Sludge is disposed of on land, and storm water flows between 3 and 6 times dry weather flow are also given partial treatment on land.

The Councils consultants are at present preparing details for an extension of the Sewage Works, which will cost in the region of £160,000 and will be designed to serve a population of 25,000.

Farrow Irrigation Sludge Disposal system installed at the Sewage Works during the year.

Work has been completed on the Manchester Road, Astley 36" sewer.

The contractor is due to commence on 15" drain Chaddock Tributary sewer. Design is complete on Shakerley Trunk sewer, and design complete and negotiations in progress on separate foul and surface water sewers, Squires Lane, Tyldesley.

SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT, 1964

Eleven dealers with premises in the district are registered under the above Act.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT

There are no premises in the district registered for the use of Rag Flock.

PETROLEUM (REGULATIONS) ACT 1928 AND 1936

The following licences to store petroleum spirit were issued during the year:-

Not exceeding	100 gallons	-	3
Exceeding	100 gallons not exceeding	500 gallons	- 8
Exceeding	500 gallons not exceeding	1,000 gallons	- 4
Exceeding	1,000 gallons not exceeding	5,000 gallons	- 8
Exceeding	5,000 gallons		- 4

SWIMMING BATHS

The Public Baths are situated in Castle Street, and consist of one plunge. Towns main water is used for filling, and treatment is by the continuous filtration method with a 4 hour turnover period.

13 samples of swimming bath water were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for examination, 12 were reported as satisfactory and 1 unsatisfactory, due to a temporary breakdown in the chlorination plant.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

The figures below show the sanitary accommodation for the district for the present year compared with the year 1966.

	1967	1966
Number of privy middens	5	6
Number of closets attached to the above middens	6	7
Number of pail closets	21	42
Number of trough closets	Nil	Nil
Number of waste water closets	62	66
Number of fresh water closets	7,780	7,489

4 waste water closets have been converted to fresh water closets.

Grants are made by the Council for closet conversions on the following scale:-

£9 or half the cost whichever is the less for privy and pail conversions
£8 or half the cost whichever is the less for waste water closets.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

A weekly collection of house refuse is maintained throughout the district by means of 4 side loading 10 c.yd. vehicles and refuse is disposed of by means of controlled tipping. Pail closets are emptied by gully tank.

Tipping was discontinued on the Mount Pleasant, Shakerley site, in the middle of December, and towns refuse was disposed of on the Atherton Urban District Council tip at Swan Island, Tyldesley Old Road.

In the early summer the refuse tip was treated with an insecticide dressing, which has continued weekly throughout the summer months, and has been found to be effective in preventing nuisance from flies and crickets.

Scavenging, gully emptying and snow removal are undertaken by the Surveyor's Department.

The provision of free dustbins has continued, and 448 bins were supplied by the department during the financial year.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

Number of Inspections and Reinspections during the year	3,218
Number of preliminary notices served	38
Number of preliminary notices abated	15
Number of statutory notices served	36
Number of statutory notices abated	25

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Infectious Diseases	24
Public Health Act, Visits and Revisits	310
Drainage.	169
Markets	28
Refuse Collection and Disposal	4
Slaughterhouses.	555
Housing Acts	135
Petroleum Regulations	12
Rodent Control	34
Food Preparing Premises	125
Factories	84
Closet Conversions	36
Keeping of Animals	7
Food Shops &c.	297
Smoke Abatement.	36
Smoke Control Areas	594
Sampling.	104
Accumulations	28
Water Supply	51
Verminous Premises	186
Pet Shops	2
Animal Boarding Establishments	1
Offices, Shops and Railway Establishments	139
Standard Grants.	221
Miscellaneous Visits and Interviews	36

FACTORIES

The following tables give the number of inspections made regarding factories and the defects discovered &.

	NO. ON REGTR.	NO. OF INSP.	NO. OF WRITTEN NOTICES	NO. OF OCCUPIERS PROSECUTED
Factories without mechanical power	3	4	—	—
Factories with mechanical power	55	80	—	—
TOTAL	58	84	—	—

	FOUND	REMEDIED	REFERRED TO H. M. INSP.	BY H. M. INSP.	NO. OF CASES IN WHICH PROSEC. WERE INSTITUTED
Want of cleanliness	—	—	—	—	—
Unsuitable or defective sanitary conveniences	4	3	—	—	—
Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Insufficient	—	3	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act	2	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	6	6	—	—	—

CLEAN AIR

Tyldesley's first smoke control area, situated in the Blackmoor district, covering 623 acres and 500 houses was approved during the year to operate from 1st October, 1968.

Surveying of the second area commenced during the year and it is hoped to present the smoke control area No. 2 to the Council early in 1968.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

All newly registered premises received a general inspection during the year, and 139 visits were made by your inspectors.

As last year the chief contravention is failure to display a copy of the abstract.

5 accidents were reported to the Local Authority during the year all of a minor character.

The following tables show the number of premises registered at the end of the year and the number of general inspections, also the number of persons employed in the various classes of workplace.

<u>Class of Workshop</u>	<u>Employees</u>
Offices	180
Retail Shops	190
Wholesale Departments	22
Catering Establishments	68
Canteens	3
Fuel Storage Depots	5

<u>Class of Premises</u>					
	Offices	Retail Shops	Whole-sale shops, ware-houses	Catering Establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
(a) No. of registered premises at end of year	24	69	4	16	1
(b) No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year	1	1	-	-	-
(c) No. of exemptions current at end of year	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Space (S.5 (2))	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Temperature (S.6)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Sanitary conveniences (S.9)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Washing facilities (S.10)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

VIRMINOUS PREMISES

95 premises (16 Council houses and 79 others) were disinfested during the year with 5% DDT solution sprayed on to walls, woodwork &c. which treatment appears to give satisfactory results.

Household effects and furniture are examined before removal to Council houses and treated where necessary, advice and instructions are given to tenants in appropriate cases of the habits of vermin and the necessary measures to prevent re-infestation.

During the year a great deal of time was spent on the elimination of flies which infested a mushroom farm in the district. The flies swarmed into nearby dwellings and caused a great deal of trouble and worry. Experts from the infestation division of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries were consulted and a method of treatment was agreed upon and carried out.

RODENT CONTROL

A Rodent Operator is employed part-time in this work and the Ministry's recommended methods employed. All premises concerning which complaints are made are visited either by your Public Health Inspector or Rodent Operator, and treatment carried out where necessary. A charge is made for business premises, but a free service is provided for private dwelling houses.

The various properties and premises in the Council's occupation are regularly inspected and treated where necessary.

2,763 visits have been made to private dwellings, business premises and local authorities properties in connection with rodent infestation.

In addition two sewer treatments have been undertaken involving the inspection and baiting of manholes with fluoroacetamide.

SCHOOLS

All the schools are provided with adequate water supply and fresh water closets.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

24 visits were paid to premises where Infectious Disease had occurred.

23 faecal specimens were submitted for examination, 6 of which were reported as positive Dysentery.

HOUSING

The majority of houses in the area are of 4 roomed cottage type lacking in the main such amenities as hot water supply and baths. Although materials are easier to obtain, prices remain high and this together with the high cost of labour make repairs still difficult to obtain.

Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects	285
Number of inspections made for that purpose	445
Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation as a result of the preliminary Slum Clearance Survey	26
Number of dwelling houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for habitation	32
Number of dwelling houses where defects were remedied without formal notice	11
Number of dwelling houses in respect of which formal notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	36
Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	25

307 houses were erected during the year by-private persons and 53 by the Local Authority.

There were 106 applications for Council houses at the end of 1967 and 165 for bungalows. Approximately 50% of applications are from sub-tenants.

Information extracted from the Council house application register show, the number of dwelling houses overcrowded at the end of the year to be 18 comprising 27 families and 106 persons. 8 new cases of overcrowding were reported during the year and 7 cases relieved.

No Clearance Orders were declared during the year but 20 dwelling houses have been the subject of Demolition Orders.

In addition 16 prefabricated houses have been demolished.

Number of houses demolished during the year	72
Number of persons displaced during the year	149
Number of families rehoused	59

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959 - STANDARD GRANTS

98 applications for Standard Grants under the above Act were made during the year ending December 1967 and 88 applications granted, an increase over the previous year of 46.

Total amount of grants paid - £5,566 13s. 3d.

RENT ACT, 1957

Part I - Applications for Certificates of Disrepair

(1) Number of applications for certificates	Nil
(2) Number of decisions not to issue certificates	Nil
(3) Number of decisions to issue certificates	
(a) in respect of some but not all defects	Nil
(b) in respect of all defects	Nil
(4) Number of undertakings given by landlord under paragraph 5 of the First Schedule	Nil
(5) Number of undertakings refused by Local Authority	Nil
(6) Number of certificates issued	Nil

Part II - Applications for Cancellation of Certificates

(7) Applications by landlord to Local Authority for cancellation of certificates	1
(8) Objections by tenants to cancellation of certificates	Nil
(9) Decision by Local Authority to cancel in spite of tenants objections	Nil
(10) Certificates cancelled by Local Authority	1

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There is one common lodging house in the district licenced annually with accommodation for 10 persons, which is conducted in a satisfactory manner.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1961

1 licence to keep a Pet shop has been issued during the year.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

1 licence to keep an Animal Boarding Establishment has been issued during the year.

MILK AND DAIRIES

The supervision and inspection of dairy farms is now the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and milk licences in the area are now issued by the Lancashire County Council.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

1,095 visits have been made to food premises and the following foodstuffs were condemned:-

<u>N A T U R E</u>	<u>Q U A N T I T I E S</u>			
	tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
Canned and frozen meat		15	0	12
Meat (including 2 lambs, 3 bullocks and 1 cow carcasses)	6	5	1	1
Miscellaneous (canned and frozen foodstuffs)		3	1	10
Liquid and frozen eggs			2	0
	7	4	0	23

OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are no offensive trades in the district.

PRESERVED FOOD &C.

Premises used for the preparation or manufacture of sausages, or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved meat, fish or other food intended for sale must be registered. The number of premises registered at the end of the year was 17.

3 private slaughterhouses were licenced for the slaughter of animals.

During the year 11 licences were issued to persons to slaughter animals for human consumption.

Condemned meat is sent to a nearby cat and dog food manufacturer, where it is sterilised and canned for animal food.

555 visits have been made to slaughterhouses in the district and the carcasses of the following animals inspected 1,287 cattle, 181 cows, 15 calves, 10,968 sheep and 1 pig.

CARCASSES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed	1,287	181	15	10,968	1
Number Inspected	1,287	181	15	10,968	1
All diseases except Tuberculosis:-					
1) Whole carcasses condemned	2	1	-	2	-
2) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	605	137	-	1,448	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	47.0	76.0	-	13.0	-
Tuberculosis only:-					
1) Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
2) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis:-					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

FOOD POISONING

No cases were notified during the year.

FOOD PREMISES

Progress regarding the Food Hygiene Regulations has continued to be good. Advice and assistance is given to all who desire it to enable them to comply with the regulations.

ICE CREAM

Premises used for the sale of ice cream have been visited regularly. There are now 54 premises registered for the sale of ice cream.

72 samples of ice cream were obtained and submitted to the methylene blue test all of which were Grade 1.

ADULTERATION OF FOOD

Sampling under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 is undertaken by the Lancashire County Council, and during the year 87 samples have been obtained by the Inspectors, 41 being milk and 46 others comprising:-

1 Tyrozet Lozenges	1 Soup Mixture, Dry
5 Plain Flour	1 Fruit Pie
1 Semolina	1 Bottle Shandy
1 Canned Shrimps	1 Crispbread
1 Canned Prawns	1 Lucozade
1 Tapioca	1 Shredded Suet
1 Dried Skim Milk Powder, Low Fat	1 Sterilised Cream
1 Camphorated Oil B.P.	1 Bacon
1 Liquid Paraffin B.P.	2 Lard
1 Tincture of Iodine B.P.	2 Custard Powder
1 Throat Pastilles	6 Dried Fruit
1 Malt Extract with Cod Liver Oil	1 Pie Filling
2 Sulphatriad Suspension	1 Cake Mix
1 Compound Codeine Tablets B.P.	1 Trifle Mixture
1 Selsun Suspension	1 Ground Almonds
1 Yoghourt	1 Blackcurrant Dumplings
1 Self-Raising Flour	1 Edible Christmas Tree Decorations

The County Analyst gave adverse reports on 2 samples as under:-

<u>Type of Sample</u>	<u>Results of Analysis</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>
Lucozade	Contained 0.012% calcium sulphite in solution and three milligrams as a flaky deposit. Calcium sulphate is the basis of plaster of paris and other building plaster.	Complainant informed and manufacturers communicated with
Shredded Suet	Contained "Rice Flour" although list of ingredients included only the generic term "Flour".	No action taken.

